

E. PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL 10/8/18 7PM 85 NORTH MARKET STREET

Mayor Alan Cohen called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Hall, Mr. Todd, and Mr. Walker. Mr. Simpson & Mr. Yokley were absent. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Law Director Dave Powers, Finance Director Traci Thompson, and Clerk Misti Martin. The regular meeting minutes of 9/24 and the department reports for September were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Hall.

AGENDA: In reference to Res. 12-2018 (Marucci & Gaffney Bid for water project) Mr. Cohen made a motion to amend the agenda and table said resolution until the next meeting due to not having enough Council members present to pass it as emergency. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor. There were no Clerk's or Mayor's reports.

MANAGER: Manager Monteleone stated that Trick or Treat would be held on Halloween from 5:30 to 7:00 pm with the parade to follow at 7:30 and a party for the kids at the Moose Lodge after the parade.

LAW DIRECTOR: Atty. Powers updated council on the latest OPEC HC information stating that one of the non medical creditors has filed an involuntary petition in bankruptcy court and the receiver was attempting to spend money that should be spent on medical claims to pay for an auditor of the books of OPEC-HC. Our attorney in Columbus has disputed that as the money should be used paying claims. He stated they are also still working on the issue of the needed easement for the sewer plant project. Mr. Cohen asked if the bankrupt stay would prevent the Village from making payments for our village employees claims to which Atty. Powers said it would not prevent us from doing that but at some point someone may seek contribution from us (as well as everyone else)for the run outs. Mr. Cohen asked if we should just pay our employees medical services at this point to which Atty. Powers stated we do not have anyone to negotiate the amounts of the claims and hiring someone to do that would be cost prohibitive. Monteleone stated he thought if the individual was present during the phone call that we could negotiate, Finance Director said we could try but that she didn't have much luck when she tried previously. It was stated that the amounts currently outstanding was around \$12,000.00. Mr. Cohen stated village employees credit was being affected because of this situation and since the amount is now smaller that even if we can't negotiate we need to take care of our employees and these claims if at all possible. Manager Monteleone stated he would like the Finance Director try a different company and see if they are will to negotiate a bill and then move forward from there.

STREET: NO REPORT

SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEM: Mr. Cohen stated that the new open pavilions at the park are progressing well and also that the Haunted Trail at the park will take place every Saturday in October.

DEVELOPMENT: Mr. Hall called for a Development Committee meeting on November 12 at 6:00 pm to discuss the wording in reference to our ordinances and pre-fab housing.

UTILITY: Mr. .Todd called a Utility Committee meeting for Oct 22 at 6:30 pm prior to the regular meeting to discuss the ongoing water & waste water projects .

FINANCE: NO REPORT

VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION: Tonight's legislation was tabled until the next meeting.

VISITORS: John & Dot Herbert, Chief Josh Brown, Terri Ward, John Dyce, Jan Douglas, Chief Jim Brown, Officer Jen Calko, and Katie White.

ADJOURN: Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Hall. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK

MAYOR ALAN COHEN